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For: Elastomeric Interconnection Device and Methods for Making Same
Examiner: Nguyen, T.
Group: 2833
Docket No.: PARI/981/US (15876-46005)

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a Response in reply to the Office Action mailed April 18, 2002, in the subject application. Also enclosed please find a Request for Continued Examination along with a check in the amount of \$425.00 for the filing fee and a one month extension of time, and a Declaration of Roger E. Weiss Under 37 C.F.R. 1.131.

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| Application Number | 09/465,056 |
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| First Named Inventor | Weiss |
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| Examiner Name | Nguyen, Truc T. |
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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
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2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of _____ months (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR §1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed.

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